

# Collie Flower Farm

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## Newsletter

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## Petal Postings

### Welcome flower friends!

As I stood in the field deadheading the Rudbeckia, I thought about my Daisy Troops going back to school. Fall is coming fast and I am really noticing the changes in the landscape. You will see the fall palette in this week's bouquet. "The Autumn Colors" Rudbeckia have beautiful variations of rust and brown. The Foxgloves are growing strong and the Zinnias and Cosmos are also in full bloom. Both Cheri and I have continued planting Sunflowers and we hope to have Sunflower bouquets for the end of the season.

The Dahlias are very colorful and should bloom until frost. I am still hoping for some longer stems. The shorter flower stems this year is a direct result of the heat and drought conditions we have had this summer. The Japanese Beetles and I are in a battle for the Dahlias. They attack the flower buds before they even open. I plan on covering each bloom as it develops with some type of netting to hopefully keep the nasty critters out. This is a war I intend to win!

We will have some of the shorter stemmed Dahlias in mini arrangements available on farm pick up days which are Friday and Saturday for \$5.00. Please look carefully at the Dahlias in your arrangements as they are all unique and very fascinating.

### IN YOUR BOUQUET

Cosmos

Green Cone Flower

Statice

Rudbeckia (3 varieties)

Sun Flowers (2 varieties)

Foxglove

Soledago



Variety of Dahlias to the left  
In an arrangement with Cosmos and  
Rudbeckia below

